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## AN ACT CONCERNING THE INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE OF CALIFORNIA'S LOW-EMISSION VEHICLE PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 22a-174g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):
- 3 (a) On or before December 31, 2004, the Commissioner of Energy 4 and Environmental Protection shall adopt regulations, in accordance 5 with the provisions of chapter 54, to implement the light duty motor vehicle emission standards of the state of California, and shall amend 6 7 such regulations from time to time, in accordance with changes in said 8 standards. Such regulations shall be applicable to motor vehicles with 9 a model year 2008 and later. Such regulations may incorporate by 10 reference the California motor vehicle emission standards set forth in 11 final regulations issued by the California Air Resources Board 12 pursuant to Title 13 of the California Code of Regulations and 13 promulgated under the authority of Division 26 of the California 14 Health and Safety Code, as may be amended from time to time. 15 Nothing in this section shall limit the commissioner's authority to 16 regulate motor vehicle emissions for any other class of vehicle.
- 17 <u>(b) The regulations described in subsection (a) of this section shall,</u> 18 <u>in accordance with subdivision (4) of subsection (b) of section 4-170,</u>

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incorporate by reference any provisions of such California regulations or changes to such California regulations that are necessary to maintain compliance with Section 177 of the federal Clean Air Act, provided the commissioner notifies the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to regulations review and the environment of any such changes to such California regulations not less than sixty days prior to the effective date of any such changes in this state.

[(b)] (c) As part of the state's implementation plan under the federal Clean Air Act, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection may establish a program to allow the sale, purchase and use of motor vehicles which comply with any regulations adopted by the commissioner which implement the California motor vehicles emissions standards for purposes of generating any emission reduction credits under said act. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection from establishing a program to require the sale, purchase and use of motor vehicles which comply with any regulations adopted by the commissioner which implement the California motor vehicle emissions standards.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2016	22a-174g

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